

# Crossfield Chronicle

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## CROSSFIELD NEWS ITEMS

The annual C.W.L. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Timmins on Wednesday last. The following officers were elected: president, Mrs. Leon Mason; vice-president, Mrs. I. Benoit; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Fred Collins. The following councillors were appointed: Mrs. M. Stafford, Mrs. E. Spading and Mrs. N. Fletcher. The following committees were chosen: press, Mrs. Walter Harris; sick, Mrs. Bert Bannister; membership, Mrs. Tom Mason. Joanne Collins won the attendance prize. Mrs. N. Fletcher of Airdrie offered her home for the May meeting.

Mrs. Wm. Shepich of Edmonton is spending this week with her mother, Mrs. A. Masca.

Mrs. J. B. Cissel is spending some time at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. Linrer, Edmonton.

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Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Cissel and son, from Edmonton, spent the holiday week-end visiting relations here.

Mrs. Wilson Stafford entertained the members of the Afternoon Bridge Club in her home on Wednesday last. A tasty 4 o'clock lunch was served. The top scores were won by Mrs. Stafford and Mrs. Hilda Smith.

Mrs. Hergert (nee Alice Ontkes) of Calgary visited with her parents and sister Mrs. W. Stafford, on Wednesday last.

Miss Ada Jensen of the local bank was taken to Didsbury on Friday last and admitted to the hospital where an appendix operation was performed by Dr. McKenzie immediately. To date, Ada is reported progressing favorably. It is hoped that she will soon be well enough to be back in the bank where she is missed by staff and customers as well.

The Anglican Guild of the Church of the Ascension held a very successful tea and sale of home cooking on Saturday, April 19 at 3 p.m. in the Crossfield Community hall and wish to thank all those who patronized same and a special thanks to all who gave donations and help. A group of youthful misses made excellent table help and were greatly appreciated.

Mrs. Chris Asmussen was buried in the Crossfield cemetery beside her husband who predeceased her some years ago. The service was from the Anglican church on Wednesday last. Her stepson arrived from the States to be present at the burial of his step-mother.

Wendy, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Richardson is fol-

lowing much better and out of danger.

Mrs. L. Work and children of Red Deer spent the Easter holidays with Mrs. R. Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Brock Campbell and family motored to Medicine Hat for the Easter holiday to visit Mrs. Campbell's sister Grace, husband and family. The roads were very bad.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Messon celebrated their golden wedding on Wednesday. A number of Crossfielders were present to wish them well and a host of Calgary friends dropped in during the afternoon and evening.

Bill Murdoch won a Mixmaster at the Lions last week.

Walter Hurt and Win Landymore attended the last Lions in the Corral at Calgary and did the Murdochs.

Daisy Robinson is situated at 2838 26 St. S.W. Calgary, and likes her position very much.

Bob Stewart of the local bank spent the last two week-ends visiting his parents in Claresholm.

Combining has started in some localities, but is a headache now the frost has come out of the ground. Self-propelled combines are making a little more progress than those hauled by tractor, but are often stuck in the fields, to the disgust of the farmer who wonders when his aspirins will take effect.

Roads are the worst in years, but the boiling spots should soon stop with the frost out of the ground. It is difficult to know just which way to enter some of the towns due to huge holes everywhere. Even the CPR seems to be having trouble with heaving earth and trains are forced to take precautions.

Due to a busy week the Stork Bridge Club members did not have their customary game last week.

Mrs. Walter Stewart, after undergoing minor surgery, had the misfortune of contracting flu and is still in a Calgary hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Garnet O'Neil enjoyed a visit from their Vulcan niece and nephew, Betty-Ann and Ronnie Northcott. Mrs. Northcott, sister of Mrs. O'Neil, also spent a few days on the O'Neil farm.

More than 12,000 pounds of aluminum are needed for every jet fighter plane manufactured in Canada.



SHOWN here is the site of the Pennant Oil Rig, eight miles N.W. of Rockyford. Open house was held and the derrick raised on March 14. The well is Seony Vacuum Rockyford C.P.R. well No. 1.



—National Defence Photo.

**CONFUSING BUT AMUSING . . .** A bit perplexed are these two German mannequins at the Hanover Trade Fair as they examine the highland garb of a Canadian soldier and compare it with the latest German fashions of slacks for frauleins. The Fair, one of the largest and most varied in Europe, annually attracts exhibitors from all parts of the world, including Canada. On hand this year to compare Canadian products with products of other countries are thousands of soldiers serving with the 27th Canadian Infantry Brigade in Germany. The Corporal is Don Fletcher, of Toronto, a member of the 48th Highlanders of Canada.

## Competition Keen In Amateur Program

CROSSFIELD — The Avanti Group of the United Church WA sponsored an Amateur Night in the Community Hall at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 19. The hall was packed to capacity, but owing to bad roads and a few minor mishaps the competition was shortened. A tap dancer from Airdrie was unable to attend and little Lorna Rland, talented pianist, suffered a sore finger which prohibited her usual pianoforte contribution. The names of Helen Edgar, pianoforte, and Joan Panta, reading, of necessity were also deleted, as was the name of Ellen McDonald, pianist, who had not returned.

The judges for the evening were Mrs. Ball, Mrs. Neil, Mrs. Lillev and Mr. Mumby, who found it difficult to group the selections on account of ages. Bert Lilley presided at the wicket.

The program opened with "O Canada" and Mr. Ball was in charge of the program. Following is a list of prize winners:

The Misses Adrienne Van Mar and Joyce Cameron, first for vocal duet; the Misses Beverley Stillings and Pat Helzer, second vocal duet; Gwen McNaughton and Marie Moffat, dressed as old-fashioned couple, sang in unison "Easter Parade," and received first prize with runners-up "Three Musketeers" (Buster Bills, Allan Kiernan and Donald Mumby) doing "Who Put the Oysters In Mrs. Murphy's Chowder," who

tied with the little Charney girls doing "Me and My Teddy Bear" whilst holding a large panda and a good sized teddy bear. These numbers, entered as duets, could not be classified as such and so were re-grouped as unison singing.

The Harder family, a brother (accordionist) and two sisters (piano and violin) received great ovation for their instrumental selections, and won first prize, with second prize going to George Sefton (guitar) and Jimmie Ruddy (violin), who also received a bid hand from the crowd.

Carol High, a talented pianist, gave an appreciated pianoforte selection, and was unfortunate in having no competition, but won a worthy first, as did Darlene Van Marion with her violin solo. Little Sharon Stillings captivated her audience with her dancing, which was in perfect timing, rhythmical, graceful and altogether charming. Her ready smile added charm to her dance.

Rowland Stillings, six years of age, sang as a solo "Here Comes Peter Cottontail" and tied with Rosalyn Bills, 12 years, singing The Wiffenboof Song. Both competitors have very sweet voices and, with a little practice in breath control and poise, they will be well on the ladder of song.

Anna Ruddy read "The Shooting of Dan Macgregor". H. Ruddy and Miss Sefton contributed an instrumental number; Joan Stevens (caller) and her square dance set made an extra hit. These last three selections were not in com-

## Apologies From CRCS

CROSSFIELD — As publicity chairman of the Crossfield Red Cross branch, your local editor received a lengthy communication from the commissioner, Alberta, Division CRCS, D. H. Tomlinson, in which he voiced his apologies re the early closing of the blood clinic which is in Crossfield.

Apparently the time, as set by the converter, was from 7-9 p.m. and the clinic had not been changed to agree with it. Mr. Tomlinson stated that the donors who had arrived after the sterile table had been removed could not be accepted as the sterile equipment had become contaminated and it was impossible to reopen the clinic.

Mr. Tomlinson's apologies were emphasized and sincere and he hoped that any hard feelings created would be forgotten under the circumstances as specified.

## LEVEL LAND NEWS BRIEFS

All those visiting with the SDA church over the week-end were: Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Saylor of Calgary; Esther Redgrove and daughter of the Junior Red Cross Hospital in Calgary; Mr. and Mrs. H. Wecker of Regina, Saskatchewan; Mrs. Fred Metzger of Didsbury; Mrs. A. Patzer of Hanna; Alfred Grabo of Lammings Mills, British Columbia; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Grabo of Stettler; Della Ruether of Royal Alexandra Hospital at Edmonton; Mrs. John Patzer of Calgary; Jennifer Bader of Mirror, Alberta; Mrs. A. Ziegler of Medicine Hat, better known as Martha Rembold, sister of Mrs. Hugo Wendland; Dan and Benny Welch of Hanna; Mr. and Mrs. Vern Kaiser of Calgary; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sulzle of Delacour; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Triebwasser from Balzac; Mr. and Mrs. Alex Herman from Calgary; Mr. and Mrs. Coffin of Lacombe; Mr. and Mrs. Cowin, Larry and Virgie Davis of Lacombe; Mr. Murdoch of Lacombe; Mrs. Emma Wutch of Medicine Hat; Miss Joyce Lang of Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Koronko from Vancouver are staying with their folks; Mr. and Mrs. Benny Huether, helping with spring work. Mr. and Mrs. Koronko stayed at aneover for the winter and Mr. Koronko sang for evangelistic efforts during these months.

Mr. Emil Berreth returned last week from the States, where he spent the winter with his wife. Mrs. Berreth remained in the States on account of her health.

The musical program that was given at the church Friday night by Canadian Union College was surely appreciated by everybody. Selections included in the concert were instrumental quartets, clarinet quartets and trios, trumpet trios, brass quartet, trumpet and saxophone duets, vocal solos, vocal trios and double mixed quartets with a trumpet fanfare.

petition but added variety to the program.

God Save the Queen finished the program, and \$2.00 for firsts and \$1.00 for seconds were awarded the competitors.

## Local Sports Day To Be June 9

CROSSFIELD — At a recent meeting of the Crossfield Sports committee, the date set for the Sports day is Tuesday, June 9.

The annual election of officers was held, resulting as follows: president, Bill Hale; vice-president, Jim Baxter; secretary-treasurer, Blake Stillings.

Committees were appointed as follows: race, Jim Baxter; booth, W. Rowat; baseball, Eugene Wickerson; gate, Fred Becker; concessions, Roy Sackett; children's races, Jim McCool; dance, Ernie Sharp; raffle, A. D. Stevens; grounds, Bill Murdoch; advt., Tommie Bland.

The next meeting will be on April 29 and the big Sports day is set for Tuesday, June 9.



## EDITORIALS

### Harvesting in the Spring

About 56 million bushels of wheat and 71 million bushels of oats and barley lay out unharvested on Alberta farms this past winter.

That means that a lot of harvesting will have to be completed this spring.

It is the hope of all that favorable weather will be experienced, as the grain should be dry before it is combined or threshed.

Some 190 million bushels of tough and damp grain have already been delivered in the west from the 1951 crop. Another 60 million are in farm bins soon to be delivered. About 60 million bushels have been dried in terminals.

Further deliveries of tough and damp grain to country elevators will aggravate an already serious condition. Farmers are advised not to harvest their last fall's crop until it is dry to avoid the loss of revenue that will result by delivering low grade wheat, oats and barley to grain buyers.

### The Flying Saucers

Despite many official denials in recent years, the case of the flying saucers continues to arouse interest and cause concern. The latest information indicates that one of the military services, at least, has now initiated a program, in all seriousness, to learn more about the strange flying objects periodically reported over the United States.

As far as can be learned, none of the strange flying objects has ever landed in the United States, though they have been reported seen by veteran airline pilots, veteran military pilots and by many other responsible officials. The descriptions have varied, from time to time, which has led to the belief that witnesses were only seeing natural phenomena. However, the descriptions have become so persistent and have been from such reliable sources, that military officials have deemed it proper to seriously investigate this stranger-than-fiction situation.

This is a strong indication that there is more than meets the eye in the flying saucers' report. Whether the saucers originate outside the United States or whether they are experimental projects of the U.S. armed forces, the editor cannot say. All that can be said is that some of the military are taking seriously reports of weird objects flying through the skies.

### Splash!

Motorists in our town are, in the main, as courteous a group as you will find anywhere. They are careful to watch the speed limit, to stop at signs and to watch out for children on the streets. They seldom, if ever, race a pedestrian to a street crossing and usually turn corners on at least three wheels. In other words, they are good citizens when they get behind the wheel of their car.

In the spring, sloppy streets and puddles offer temptation. There is something inexpressibly funny about seeing a person (someone else of course) get splashed—funny, that is, to people other than the splashee. Now in our town motorists curb their sense of humor and simply don't go splashing around town splashing as many pedestrians as they can. But once in a while a car driver may be just a little absent-minded and may unintentionally splash a person walking along the sidewalk, minding his or her own business.

This, then, is an appeal to auto drivers to avoid absent-mindedness until the streets dry up, to drive a little more slowly than the law calls for and to keep an eye open for pedestrians. The result will be (we hope) no splashed spring togs and no irate citizens.

Thoughtfulness in the springtime and indeed any season of the year helps to keep everyone happy.

### British Labor Party Gains

In elections early in April to the London County Council, candidates representing the Labor Party made a strong comeback and won nearly three out of every four seats. Of course, the Labor Party has always been strong in London and has exercised control over the London area for eighteen years. In 1949, the Conservatives almost won control of the Council.

The Conservative trend in England was further demonstrated in 1949 in the general elections, when the Churchill Government won control of Parliament. From the results of the latest elections, it appears there is some possibility that the trend has been reversed.

Labor candidates in the April elections pointed to the national situation in England, the new austerity program and the decreased rations, to show that the Conservative Government had accomplished nothing since being elected to office. The promises of last year, of red meat, more food, lower prices, all were ridiculed by the Laborites, who can point to less meat and higher prices, in many cases, and tightened rations in most cases.

Of course, the Conservatives are embarking on a rearmament program and have other reasons for the tightened controls but, nevertheless, their control in Parliament hangs by a thin thread. Everyone agrees that the next few months may be a crucial period in the Conservative Party's reign in England. The accuracy of Laborite predictions that the Churchill Government would last only six months will probably be determined in the next few weeks or months.

### More Food For People

The gradual disappearance of the horse as a source of farm draft power has meant that more land is available for feeding people.

Charles F. Kettering, research consultant for General Motors, calculates that 4½ persons can be fed on the land hitherto required to produce fodder for one horse. That means that 80 million more people in the United States can be fed without farming one more acre of ground.

### Everyday Living

#### MORE ABOUT CIGARETTE HANDICAPS

Doctor Charles L. Barber of Lansing, Mich., at a Medical Research Convention, stated: A baby born of a cigarette-smoking mother is sick. It is poisoned. The post mortem shows degeneration of liver, heart and other organs. Sixty per cent of the babies born of mothers who are habitual cigarette smokers, die before they are two years old—others being weak and defective.

#### WOMEN LISTEN TO THIS

Smoke injures the baby. "Medical authorities of the world" state that infants inhaling tobacco-laden atmosphere acquire loss of appetite, smoker's eyes, restless nights, nausea and vomiting.

"Poor Baby," in Vancouver "Sun." Mr. Editor: As a typical example of our smart modern girls, we had a roomer who nursed her baby with a cigarette dangling from her mouth. The falling hot ashes burned a hole in the baby's wool jacket. The infant got sick and the doctor said it was "nicotine colic," but none of this stopped the foolish mother from smoking. She had acquired the habit. M. T. Lowry.

"The subject of cigarette smoking is controversial only in the minds of the uninformed, not so in the light of scientific facts."

#### THE CIGARETTE FOUND GUILTY

Under the above heading in a recent edition of "Magazine Digest," after years of research, Dr. W. J. McCormick of Toronto, is reported as stating that excessive cigarette smoking causes heart disease known as "Coronary Thrombosis" (formation of a lump in a blood vessel), the common cause of many sudden deaths.

"What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost . . ."—1st Cor. 6-19.

UNCLE ED.

### The Bible Today:

Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed; for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.—Joshua 1: 9.

### U.S. LOOKS TO CANADIAN INDUSTRY

From Editor's Copy, Orangeberg, S.C.

In the wilderness of North-western Canada, a new city is being built for 50,000 persons, who will produce aluminum for U.S. consumption. A tunnel is to be drilled two miles through a mountain to carry the water necessary to generate electricity. Roads and streets are being cut through forests.

The new city, Kitimat, is to be one of the largest aluminum plants in the world. Running at capacity, the smelter of this one city will turn out 60 per cent of the entire United States output. The plant, which is expected to cost about half a billion dollars and employ 13,000 men, will ease Washington's allocation problems considerably.

We in the United States often overlook the fact that Canada is rapidly developing into one of the leading industrial nations in the world. In the field of world trade, Canada ranks only behind the United States, Great Britain and France. As a matter of fact, Canadian foreign trade amounts to about \$8 billion annually. With a national income of \$23 billion, industrial expansion continues at a rate of more than \$4 billion a year.

In the last fifty years, the population of Canada has increased

from five million to 14 million. The standard of living of our northern neighbors is almost as high as the U.S. standard. Nineteen out of twenty Canadian families have radios, three out of every five own automobiles, and five out of seven have telephones.

Within the next few months, Canadians will begin a project to harness the waters of the Saskatchewan River to irrigate 600,000 acres of land, which will mean homes for 30,000 additional families.

The Canadian Parliament has already authorized construction of the St. Lawrence Seaway, which will make it possible for ocean vessels to sail from the Atlantic into the middle of the continent. Electric power production in Canada has doubled in recent years, and this pioneer nation has its own atomic development.

We in the United States are delighted to see our next door neighbor making so much progress. Instead of fortifying the frontier, we realize that a strong Canada is an asset in the fight for world peace. It is unfortunate that the peoples of Europe are unable to get along as well with one another as do the peoples of the United States and Canada.

### Voice of the People

#### AS IT IS

A letter had appeared recently in another newspaper titled "As It Can Be" and signed "So-and-So", which was in reply to my letter in same paper when I wrote on a different subject than present. As the paper refused to publish my reply again, will you please, sir, allow me space to do so?

"So-and-So" wrote that all sorts of evidence show that human nature is changeable and surmountable and that we must not accept the world as it is, but we must see it as it can be, etc. To prove that his strange ideas are totally wrong, I could bring up innumerable living examples as facts, not evidence, since the latter proved from time to time to be false and thus grossly misleading. To be brief, however, I am drawing his attention to the following observations only:

Human nature is being only driven, and only partially, by civilized social orders and rules into a privacy; but the strong and deeply rooted natural tendencies of a human being never have been changed. It is ridiculous to say by "So-and-So" that eating with fingers or hitting back when hit people throughout the world ceased doing. I do know that such natural practices are continuously going on in every land on the globe. Of course, in more civilized countries mostly private food.

Now, how about: prejudice, jealousy, hatred, distrust, conspiracy, deceitfulness, greediness, selfishness, self-conceit, talking but not listening, etc.—were these natural stubborn tendencies surmounted within human nature? Definitely not! All sorts of class-room education, great Christian principles and most severe criticisms proved to be helpless and useless. Only people with enormously wide life-education and so with highly humanitarian ideals are being able to cultivate self-suppression in these regards; but these are only very small minorities.

Therefore, how "So-and-So" could expect to see the world as it can be with such detrimental points within human nature?

They are those tragic obstacles which have blocked completely the road to the world as it can or should be. Without changing of bad sides within human nature the dream about better world will remain as just a dream for ever. The history has proved it beyond any doubt. Also human life is much too short to see even a marked improvement of the world. We must accept it as it is (despite of the fact that present world is full of evils) to be able to live and so to have opportunity to try to help the right-leading persons to build up a better world for future generations. We must face the realities. History has also proved that those who were unable to face realities all have ended disastrously!

Nevertheless, as an optimist I do strongly believe, Mr. Editor, that these mentioned hereby terrible points within human nature could be changed within present century to the extent that betterment of the world could be achieved within next century, providing that beside churches and bible prophecy every educational institution, press, every employer and every home and community league of leading nations at least would preach continuously and with emphasis and solemnity the true brotherhood among all peoples on earth. Without it the world will remain hopeless for ever.

As to the reforms, "So-and-So" missed the point again, because it was nothing else but the natural aspirations and impulses which did move oppressed and abused peoples to demand and in some cases to struggle for their natural rights to live as free and equal human beings. As is seen human nature has some good points, too, which it would be a grave mistake to attempt to change; because just a pure illusion or wishful talk can change nothing.

S. T.

95 Avenue, Edmonton.

Widows and children inheriting the savings of Canadian husbands have become a major group of the "shareholders" who own Canadian industry. In many Canadian corporations the individual women shareholders outnumber men by a considerable margin.



## Thursday Is Deadline Date

Thursday, April 24, has been set as the final date by which all Alberta passenger cars should be equipped with new license plates. In announcing the deadline, E. R. Hughes, Deputy Provincial Secretary, appealed to all passenger car owners to get their 1952 plates now. "I expect a rush on April 23," he said. "Motorists who wish to avoid needless delay should get their license plates now."

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## THE LIGHTER SIDE

### Only Decision

The brand-new benedict and an older husband were discussing their favorite subject—women. "Did you ever win an argument with your wife?" the benedict asked. "Once," the other answered reflectively. "But it was years ago." "What was the argument about?"

"I don't remember offhand, but I do recall very clearly that we were putting down a new living-room rug at the time and her mouth was full of carpet tacks."

### Gob Humor

"Why did you give the check-room girl a dollar tip?"  
"Look at the hat she gave me!"

### Is Now!

Barber—Was your tie red when you came in?  
GI—Of course not.  
Barber—Gosh.

### The Question

The father decided to have a serious talk with young Jimmy, who was inclined to be light-hearted and irresponsible. "Jimmy," he said, "you're getting to be a big boy and you ought to take things more seriously. Just think—if I died suddenly where would you be?" "Here," said Jimmy. "The question is, where would you be?"

### Modern

After searching in vain for a job, a man applied for relief. A girl was behind the desk filling out a questionnaire. "Do you owe any back house rent?" "Ma-am," he replied with utmost dignity, "we have modern pumbing."



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### Stem Rust—What's Ahead for 1952

A plain statement of the situation is that Race 15B of stem rust presents a serious threat to wheat production in Western Canada in 1952. None of the wheat varieties now grown commercially in the Prairie Provinces are resistant to Race 15B.

**Rust in the South.** During the past winter, Race 15B of stem rust caused considerable damage to grain crops in central Mexico. Stem rust has already been found in Texas. However, crop conditions in that State are unfavourable for the development and spread of rust. Present indications are that there will be no important "build-up" of rust in Texas this Spring. Crop conditions in Oklahoma and Kansas, however, are excellent, and it is possible that a heavy outbreak of stem rust may occur in these States this Spring. If this happens, and the prevailing winds are just right (from the South), billions of spores of Race 15B of stem rust may invade and infect the wheat fields of Western Canada during the critical months of June and July. It is impossible for anyone to forecast at this time whether or not an epidemic of stem rust will occur in Western Canada in 1952. It all depends upon the weather, particularly the weather conditions of June, July and August.

**Protective Measures.** For their own protection western farmers are advised to use the following rust control measures this Spring: (1) Use only good, high-germinating seed of a recommended wheat variety. (2) Clean and treat all your seed-grain this Spring. This will not stop rust, but it will help the plants to get off to a faster start and lead to earlier crop maturity. (3) Where practicable, use a phosphate fertilizer. This will also help to induce early maturity. (4) Above all, plant your wheat as early as possible. Wheat crops that mature early have a much better chance of escaping rust damage than crops that mature late. These are definite, practical steps which western farmers can and should take this Spring to protect themselves against possible losses from stem rust in 1952.

## \$1 for BRIGHT SAYINGS

The Editor will pay \$1.00 for each child's saying printed. To qualify, items must be true, personal remarks of a child known to the writer. Address "Bright Sayings", P.O. Box 4365, South Edmonton.

When 3-year-old Penny saw her cat with a dead bird she had me bury it in a pile of sawdust. A few days later, while playing she dug it up, with surprise, saying "It couldn't get to heaven through all that sawdust." P. R.

Darwell, Alta.

My small nephew was walking home with me one evening. The sky was clear, and he looked up at the stars and asked "Mike, are those the holes where the rain pours through?"

Styal, Alta. MIKE KUCHKA.

The other day my husband and I were reading your column in the Alix Free Press it made us think of a question our son asked us. It was asked out of a clear sky "Daddy, how old was I when I was born?" MRS. M. N.

Alix, Alta.

I was telling my wife about your "Bright Sayings" column and told her to take note of any our three-year-old son came out with. Apparently he overheard me, because a little later I heard him telling his dog "If I say something bright Daddy will give a dollar."

Busby, Alta. H. J. SIDFORD.

## Encouraging Spring Harvest Yields

Samples of grain harvested on Alberta farms so far this Spring are not lower in grade than they would have been last Fall and are actually better in some instances as they are not as tough or damp. The Alberta Wheat Pool reported Tuesday.

The fact that the grain has not greatly deteriorated is, contrary to what many observers had thought. What was No. 5 last Fall is No. 5 this Spring and it is not damp and tough.

Some field damage is reported but no heavier than last Fall when heavy rains made the mildew situation as bad or worse than now. Of the grain so far harvested, mice damage is not reported to be severe.

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Forage crop seeding in the southern part of the province should be done not later than early May, says J. E. Birdsall, supervisor of crop improvement. This makes possible the use of spring moisture by the seedlings, and allows them to become established before the hot winds come. Forage crops should not be sown in land known to be infested with cut-worms.

Farther north, where forage crops are more readily established, competition of the companion grain crop is not so serious. Early seeding is still desirable, but the date will depend to some extent on the condition of the land and the amount of cultivation required. If the soil is not too dry, seeding may be done any time up to June 15th.

Wherever you farm remember these rules, advises Mr. Birdsall:

- (1) For strong stands and fewer weeds, use the best seeds you can get.
- (2) Keep the seed in the sack unless there is enough moisture for fermentation.
- (3) Seed shallowly in firm soil.

## Band Concert Decided Success

BEISEKER—The concert given by the Canadian Union College Band in the Beiseker Memorial hall Saturday night will long be remembered by those who were present. There were more than 300 adults and children.

Some of the outstanding numbers were the trios, vocal, clarinet and trumpet, and the solos sung by Mr. William Haynes, the vocal teacher of Canadian Union College. Mr. Bacon-Shone, the director of the band, played a delightful piano rendition of Monti's Czardas and a tango which he composed but has not yet named. As an encore number he played "Nights of Gladness" by Ancliffe.

Novelty numbers played by the band were "Jolly Good Fellow" (the only tune the band could

play), so they played it at all occasions: first a street march, a concert opera, Saturday night waltz, and in minstrel style.

The other novelty number was "Jack and the Beanstalk," read by Mr. William Haynes and assisted by the band. "Major Jeffery," a march written by Mr. Bacon-Shone, concluded the program.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the people who turned out to attend the concert in the Memorial hall on Saturday night, especially the ones who came from a distance. There were many from Acme district, Carbon district, quite a few from Hanna, Calgary, Delacour district, Irricana district and Nightingale district.

It was not an easy task to sponsor such a concert in such a busy time. Once more I am thanking all those who patronized it.

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## Catholic Women's League Elects 1952-53 Officers

BEISEKER—The Catholic Women's League held their annual meeting in the meeting room of the Memorial Hall on Monday, March 31. A large number was in attendance. Election of officers took place and the following were elected for the year 1952-53:

Past-president, Mrs. F. Lyczewski; president, Mrs. A. A. Wald; secretary, Mrs. L. L. Schmaltz; treasurer, Mrs. Frank Schmaltz; first vice-president, Mrs. Kasper Silbernagel; second vice-president, Mrs. Jerry Schissel; third vice-president, Mrs. W. J. Lavoie; councillors, Mrs. E. B. Hagel, Mrs.

papers for the space they gave us.—John Lelske.

L. Brosteau, Mrs. Ed Schwartzberger, Mrs. Ruth Schmaltz, Mrs. Adam Velker, Mrs. Joe J. Hagel. The following committees were appointed:

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Child Welfare: Mrs. W. J. Lavoie, Mrs. Frank Lyczewski.

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Sick Committee: Mrs. Ed Schwartzberger, Mrs. Ed Hagel.

Entertainment: Mrs. Adam Velker.

## Red Cross Drive

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## Requiem High Mass Celebrated

BEISEKER—Requiem high mass was read by Rev. Father Tennant in St. Mary's Church, Beiseker, on Monday, April 14, at 10 a.m., for Andrew Schwartzberger who died at Brooks on April 10, at the age of 43.

Born in North Dakota, he later moved to Beiseker, where he lived for five years before moving to Brooks.

Surviving are his wife, Margaret, one son, William, and one daughter, Fay, at home, his mother, Mrs. Schwartzberger, in Beiseker, three brothers and seven sisters. His father predeceased him in 1942, and one brother, Joe, in 1949.

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No, I do not think they are foolish. It is better for young married people to start off in a home of their own, even if it is very simple, rather than with others. In this way, they gradually make the necessary adjustments to each other without an audience looking on and giving advice.

There are, of course, circumstances that make such a course impractical. A couple cannot be happy if they are really hungry and unable to pay the rent. And when a mother is working outside of the home and has no responsible person to leave her child with, she is fortunate to be able to live with her parents.

But, on the whole, life is usually less complicated and we love our in-laws more if we do not live with them.

**LOUISA.**  
Dear Louisa,  
I have been going with a young man for eight years and always supposed that we would get married when he did not have to take

care of his mother, who was a semi-invalid. She died two months ago but he has not said anything about a wedding. He doesn't go with anyone else but I am puzzled and disconcerted over the situation.

What would you do?  
**E. P.**  
Answer:  
You have certainly been going with him long enough to bring up the subject yourself.

If he shies away from the matter, you had better call off the whole thing as your young man may be one of those persons who likes to have someone pamper him but doesn't care to take on the family.

**LOUISA.**

### Speed Grain Germination By Treating Seed

When a farmer sows his seed he hopes for a good crop. Between sowing and harvest, there are many hazards. The first is between the time he puts his seed in the soil and the time it gets above ground. Only a few days but it is perhaps the most vital stage in the short history of the wheat or oat plant or whatever type of grain he sows.

This operation must be a success. Without a good start there can't be a good crop. Treatment of seed with a mercuric dust is one way to get it. Only by trial is this proved and here is the result of experiments with oats under western conditions. The same number of seeds were sown in each case. The first line shows the number of days between sowing and the time the plant emerged above ground. The second line shows when and how many seedlings came through without treatment of any kind. The third line shows when and how many came through when treated before sowing with Leytosan.

Days after sowing — 6-8-10-12-14.

Seedlings emerging without treatment—36-28-30-2-1.

Seedlings emerging treated with Leytosan—41-38-18-1-1.

With treatment 79 seedlings came through in the 6th, 7th and 8th days. Without treatment only 64. For this 8-day period a bigger and quicker germination by 24 per cent.

### Hogs Marketed At Wrong Weights

Alberta hog producers are advised by the Alberta Department of Agriculture to market their hogs at proper weights. During 1951, an increased number of hogs weighing more than the prescribed weights for grades "A" and "B" were marketed.

Heavy hogs mean more to the farmer than reduced sales price and loss of the bonus given for marketing hogs of proper weight. A. J. Charnetski, Live Stock Supervisor, said more feed is needed for each additional gain of a pound in weight after a weight of 200 pounds is reached.

The percentage of top grades could be increased considerably by feeding balanced diets and not marketing any hogs over 210 pounds in weight. Skim milk should be used or replaced with protein supplements.

Mr. Charnetski said inferior breeding is another cause of degraded hogs. Parent stock must be of high quality to produce top grade hogs. High quality includes good length, fine shoulders, lack of bulge in break of rib, good type rear flanks, and full, firm hams. These points should be present in both sire and female.

## \$1 EMBARRASSING MOMENTS

The Editor will pay \$1.00 for every item published on "The Most Embarrassing Moment of My Life." To qualify, items must be true, personal incidents. Address "Embarrassing Moments", P.O. Box 4343, South Edmonton.

At a public school one day I was talking to a girl friend, saying "Oh, do I hate that kid." Just then I turned around and saw him. Was I ever embarrassed when he said, "Who is that? Me?" "Who is that? Me?"


**JOYCE VOROS.**  
Hardisty, Alta.

The first time I made jelly with jelly powder I did not stir it long enough to dissolve it all. The result was that there was a tough layer at the bottom. I was embarrassed when I served it to hear the remark, "What is this made of, buckskin?"

**MARION MELLOTT.**  
Colinton.

When shopping in a department store with my sister for a new dress, we were carefully checking those displays of store dummies. Finding a dress I liked, I called out "Victoria, come and see this dress! I wonder what the price is!" The dummy turned out to be a flesh and blood lady who stepped backwards and said: "This dress isn't for sale." This was my most embarrassing moment ever.  
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THE ABOVE PICTURE shows Aircraftswomen (A.W.) "Terry" Wiles of Edmonton and Jean Picard of Campbellton N.B. as they are greeted by W/C W. W. Gilmour, Commanding Officer of RCAF Station, Claresholme, Alta., on their arrival, Friday, Feb. 28. Terry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Wiles reside at 10324 82 Ave., Edmonton. Terry attended Scona High School in Edmonton before she started work for the people for her association with roller skating in this city. Terry has Provincial Government. She left the Government service to join the RCAF. Eighteen-year-old Terry Wiles may be remembered by some been training for the last six months at St. Hubert as an Aircraft Control Assistant, and these will be her duties at Claresholme. As the first two women personnel to arrive at Claresholme, they were welcomed with considerable enthusiasm.

## DON'T GO WEST, GIRLS!

### NOT ENOUGH MEN AVAILABLE

Girls who think the West is the place to catch a husband, even in Leap Year, had better take a look at the latest census figures before making any plans.

In Alberta alone there are 76 places, cities, towns, villages, Improvement Districts or regular divisions into which the province has been divided by census takers where women exceed men in numbers.

So you've got to be careful girls.

It's not enough to come to the West and plunk yourself down, complete with dowry, expecting men to come tripping over you.

#### EVEN STEPHEN

Not only are those 76 places in which the females are already vieing for honors in the eyes of the males, but there are also four other places where the set-up is so precise there are exactly the same number of females as males. These are in two Improvement Districts, Wood Buffalo Park and Stony Plain.

In 11 Alberta localities the difference between the number of males and the number of females is only one person.

But to go back for a minute to those 76 over-populated areas. Among those areas is Calgary with 65,081 gals, and only 63,979 fellas. Under those circumstances any girl who walks down a city street with two men is almost committing a crime.

Edmonton is also in the unhealthy state of having more women than men. Its figures show a total of 80,658 gals to only 78,973 men.

One of the big surprises in the ninth census from which the population figures are drawn is the fact that the oil town of Devon, just south of Edmonton, has more women than men. Even with its great oil industry employing hundreds of men figures show only 408 men and 434 women.

#### MORE OF THEM

Two other Alberta towns, the once-great Turner Valley, and the booming Fort Macleod, recently renamed, are also run by women. They must be. There are more of them.

For husband hunting women looking for adventure and who don't mind an element of chance in their endeavors try Viking with 342 men and 341 women; Alix

## Beautiful Baby



SEMITONE Studios, of Boyle, took this charming picture of Judy Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rhein of Atmore. Judy is 19 months old.

with 231 men and 230 women; Bittern Lake, 13 to 12; Alberta Beach, 40 to 39; some place called 661, 662, Improvement District, with six men and five women; 589, 590, I.D., 19 men and only 18 women; or the Indian Reserve in District 16, where there are 51 men and 50 women.

## TAR SANDS DEVELOPMENT TO BEGIN THIS SUMMER

Five independent companies heat. The present proven systems will start an exploration program are by the hot water and the cold water methods.

The companies, which have leased almost 250,000 acres of land west of the Athabasca River and north of Fort McMurray, include Calvin Consolidated Oil and Gas Corporation, Asher Oil Company, Pacific Petroleum Limited, New Continental Oil of Canada and Charter Oils. Their program will consist of systematic core drilling to determine the amount of overburden above the productive oil sand formations, the thickness of the sand and the petroleum content.

Socony-Vacuum Exploration Co. Ltd., and Edward Gilbert, all of Calgary, also have applied for reservations in the oil sands. Each of the three applicants have applied for reservations of 50,000 acres.

The Swedish Shale Oil Company will attempt to extract oil from the sands by a process involving

### Dying Man Pays For Conscience

EDMONTON—The Alberta government's fish and game branch is \$75 richer and a 72-year-old Vancouver man, formerly of Alberta, can die without a guilty conscience.

The man sent to the judge of the District Court in Innisfail, Alta., a cheque for \$75 which he said was the money he received sometime between 1909 and 1920 for pelts of six beavers he killed illegally.

He said he didn't expect to live very long and wanted to die with a clear conscience.

The money was turned over to the government's fish and game branch.

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## Farm Short Course, Demonstration Held

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While the men were busy upstairs with lectures, the ladies were busy downstairs taking in a demonstration of cooking electrically. Miss Crawford, Home Economist of the Calgary Power, and Miss Lorraine Shatz were the speakers. Following the cooking demonstration, a draw for prizes took place. Mrs. A. A. Wald was the winner of the G. E. steam iron; Mrs. Stern was the winner of the G.E. kettle; Mrs. L. Brosseau, Mrs. Matt Schmaltz, Mrs. C. E. Schmaltz, and Mrs. F. P. Schmaltz were winners of the cooked foods. A very pleasant afternoon was spent and everyone is looking forward to more of these demonstrations.

### In Memoriam

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## BEISEKER AND DISTRICT NEWS

Mrs. Pete Schmaltz is getting along nicely following a recent operation.

Mrs. Chas. Weisgerber is also feeling fine and is expected home soon.

Baltzer Schmaltz is home again after some months in hospital. He seems to be handling his crutches very well.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Schmaltz of Scapa are visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Val Schmaltz for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Schwartzberger and children were Sunday visitors in Beiseker.

Mr. Raymond Schwartzberger was a week-end visitor at the home of his parents.

Mrs. E. A. Lount has left on an extended visit to the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Utz and family are new residents in Beiseker. Mr. Utz is employed as mechanic at the Purity Service Station. They are living in the house owned by Mrs. Mike Schleppe.

Mrs. M. Schissel and son, Bob, has returned to Beiseker after

spending the winter in California.

Mr. F. Plante is getting along nicely and is expected home soon.

There are quite a number of adults and children confined to bed with the 'flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted De Wald (Sr.) and Mr. and Mrs. Ted De Wald (Jr.), of Calgary, were week end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ike Ternes.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Wald were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Wald.

Mrs. Chas. Weisgerber is back home again after spending five weeks in hospital following an operation.

Miss Lima Schmaltz was a holiday visitor at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Schmaltz.

Mrs. Harry Simmonds is spending a short while in Calgary at the

home of her brother; Ernest Little, while Mrs. Little is undergoing an appendectomy operation.

Little Cameron Lang is home and feeling fine after being a patient in a Calgary hospital with pneumonia.

Mr. Adam German was a week-end visitor at the home of his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schwartzberger and children were visitors at the home of Mrs. A. Schwartzberger.

Mrs. M. A. Bettin, of Creston, B.C., arrived unexpectedly for a



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